

1279

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For a time, West Point was
Washington's headquarters.

July 2, 1779

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POUNDRIDGE (Westchester Co. N.Y.)

The Capture of Major Lockwood, an active colonist at Poundridge was much desired by the British. On July 2, 1779, a party under TARLETON were met at Poundridge by a small band led by Lockwood and Sheldon. Tarleton forced them to retreat, entered Poundridge, and burned several of the buildings.

Feb 14, 1779

At Kealahou Bay, England's
greatest explorer - Capt Cook -
died in a clash with natives

One of his subordinates was
George Vancouver

The other was William Bligh.

Sept. 1779

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Serapis

John Paul Jones said to his knot of officers
"Serapis"; "A brand new forty-four
His flagship B. Homme Richard was a
converted French East Indiaman on loan to the
Americans. Some of her timbers were rotten. Many
of her 40 guns were condemned. His men were well
trained. At the first broadside two of
Richard's 18-pounders in the lower gun
deck blew up, killing their crews and wrecking

the deck above. Round shot pulverized her keelson
seizing a dying keel from the evening breeze, he galloped
Serapis's bow. Her bowsprit snagged Richard's
mizzen shrouds. Jones looked it over.

Jones' sailors & marines cleared the enemy's upper
deck and moved down every helmsman. A seaman
had dropped a hand grenade into the enemy's open
hatch. It touched off a string of cartridges, Jones
meanwhile had been using his last 3 cannon - 9 pounders
to chew away at the British mainmast. It toppled taking
the mizzen topmast with it.

Sep 1779

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Serapis

The Crash of the mast was enough for Capt. Pearson. He struck the colors..

Jones & his crew boarded Serapis thankful to leave a sinking wreck.

This was the American first naval hero.

1779

Ethan Allen (1738-1789), one of the Green Mountain Boys in the Amer. Revolution, informed the Continental Congress that he was fighting for the independence of Vermont (not the U.S.), which he wished to become a separate nation. Vermont declared its independence in 1777, but this was not recognized by the Continental Congress. When his goal appeared doomed

to failure, Allen, later in 1779 negotiated with the British in an effort to have Vermont made a part of Canada.

Sept. 21, 1779

John Adams was named to
negotiate the Revolutionary War
peace terms with Britain.

Oct 11, 1779

Polish nobleman Casimir Pulaski
was killed while fighting
for American independence
during the Revolutionary
War Battle of Savannah, Ga.

1779

not until 1779 and the experiments
of the priest - biologist LAZZARO
SPALLANZANI was it shown
that semen is necessary for
~~artificial insemination~~. fertilization

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SAVANNAH, Ga.

Americans, assisted by a French
fleet, ineffectually besieged Savannah
in 1779

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Battle of Vencennes

Amer. Clark defeated Hamilton

Feb 24, 1779

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Battle of Kettle Creek
Amos Pickens defeated Brt Boryel